

REMARKS

The Applicant respectfully requests further examination and reconsideration in view of the amendments made above and the arguments made below. Claims 1-10, 13-15, 17 and 20-35 were pending. Within the Office Action, Claim 15 has been rejected and Claims 1-10, 13, 14, 17 and 20-35 have been allowed. By the above amendments, Claim 15 has been amended. Accordingly, Claims 1-10, 13-15, 17 and 20-35 are now pending.

The applicants' attorney would like to thank Examiner Afshar for his time and courteousness during the telephone interview on March 9, 2009. During this interview the changes to Claim 15 made above were discussed.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Within the Office Action, Claim 15 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. By the above amendment, Claim 15 has been amended to a method claim. The original specification provides support for this claim.

Allowable Subject Matter

Within the Office Action, Claims 1-10, 13, 14, 17 and 20-35 are allowed.

For the reasons given above, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims are now in condition for allowance, and allowance at an early date would be greatly appreciated. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, they are encouraged to call the undersigned at (408) 530-9700 to discuss the same so that any outstanding issues can be expeditiously resolved.

Respectfully submitted,
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